HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Dickinson, Bosma

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Lawrence North High School boys basketball team on its victory in the Class 4A Boys Basketball championship.

Whereas, The Lawrence North High School Wildcats won the 2004-2005 Indiana High School Athletic Association Class 4A Boys State Basketball Championship at Conseco Field House in Indianapolis before a sellout crowd of more than 18,000 people;

Whereas, This victory marks the second consecutive title and the third overall title for the Wildcats, who finished the season with a 24-2 record;

Whereas, With this victory, Lawrence North became the

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first IHSAA Class 4A repeat winner;

Whereas, Ranked number three in the state, Lawrence North was led to victory by a Class 4A record 29 points and nine rebounds from Greg Oden;

Whereas, During the championship game, Oden set several Class 4A records, including a record 14 field goals in 19 attempts and six blocked shots, with five blocks in the first half alone:

Whereas, Senior guard Brandon McPherson scored in double figures with 11 points and made all five of his free throw attempts;

Whereas, McPherson received the Arthur L. Trester Mental Attitude Award following the game;

Whereas, This team, with its stupendous drive and energy, has proven to be a uniting force in the community, with many residents in attendance at the championship game; and

Whereas, Victories by teams such as the Lawrence North Wildcats are truly what Indiana legends are made of: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the Lawrence North High School boys basketball team on its 2004-2005 Class 4A state basketball championship and acknowledges the many hours of hard work required to reach a level of excellence necessary to win a state championship. The members of the General Assembly also express their continued good wishes for the members and coaches of this remarkable team.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the Lawrence North team, head coach Jack Keefer, the assistant coaches, principal Lynn L Lupold, and superintendent Dr. Michael Copper.

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